Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	10/561,834	NAKANO, SHIGERU
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Maryam Monshipouri	1656	

All Participants:

(1) _Maryam Monshipouri_.

(2) _Mr. T.J. Spielmann_.

Date of Interview: _18 September 2008_

Status of Application: _____

(3) _____.

(4) _____.

Time: _____

Type of Interview:
☒ Telephonic
☐ Video Conference
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☐ No
   If Yes, provide a brief description: .

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:
112 first

Claims discussed:
2(B), 5-7 and 8

Prior art documents discussed:

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:
See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

 Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: the examiner indicated that the exact amino acid residues in charge of assigning   growth promoting funcction to SEQ ID NO:2 is unknown. Therefore, it is unknown how to screen for homologs recited in claim 2(B) (scope of enablement issue). She also indicated that apart from acetic acid bacteria as transformant, the specification does not provide any other transformant. Therefore the scope of the invention should be restrictred to acetic acid bacteria (written desccription issue). In response Mr. Spielmann agreed with examiner's suggestion for canceling claims 2(B), and 6-7 and gave her authority to amend the claims accordingly, in an Ex. amendment.